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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I own my own business and rely on the internet to bring me 100% of my customers. I switched from Xfinity DSL to Sonic Fiber 6 months ago after being frustrated for years over high rates, poor customer service, and slow speeds. I waited over a year for Sonic to become available in my neighborhood, and am thrilled with the change. My rate is more affordable, my service improved, and I've spoken with real live humans who promptly helped me fix issues.

The internet is vital to modern-day life. We need our government to help make sure this utility is available to everyone, everywhere, at affordable rates - this means encouraging competition.

If large providers such as AT&T and Verizon cannot run profitable enterprises without choking out smaller companies, they have problems that we do not need to fix for them. Is it fair for small companies to have access to their infrastructure? Not entirely. But the point of a government is to provide for its people, not to grease big business.

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